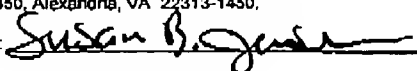


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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED DECEMBER 23, 2005

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 23, 2005, Applicants provisionally elect Group II: Claims 17-28, drawn to compositions comprising aerosolized dry F.IX and blister packs containing said composition, with traverse. Applicants appreciate the Examiner's discussion on January 6, 2006 and acknowledge that the Examiner will consider removing the restriction requirement if a search of comprising aerosolizable dry F.IX (Group II) and methods of treatment by inhaling the aerosolizable dry F.IX (Group I) go hand in hand.

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